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TRANSDERMAL DELIVERY OF
HIGHLY PLASTICIZING DRUGS

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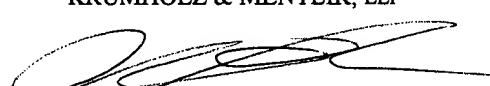
RESPONSE

Sir:

In complete response to the Official Action mailed November 27, 1998, Applicants hereby select the Group VII "invention" for prosecution at this time. Group VII comprises claim 84. This selection is made, however, with traverse. The Examiner has not established how examination of all of the various claims in question would be unduly burdensome on the Examiner and, therefore, the M.P.E.P. encourages examination of all pending claims together. Furthermore, Applicants respectfully submit that their prior election, and that all of the claims selected therein, including claim 84, could be examined together as the search for the various "inventions" are roughly co-extensive.

From the foregoing, further and favorable action in the form of examination of all the claims pending is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any questions with regard to the foregoing, the Examiner should contact the undersigned, at the Examiner's convenience, at (908) 654 - 5000. In the event that there are any fees due and owing, the Examiner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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